

Elba Masons
enjoy fellowship
and work



*"Serving Elba and Coffee County
for more than 125 Years!"*
Est. 1897

Meet the Tigers
held at Elba High
School



The Elba Clipper

Volume 127, Number 14 50 Cents Elba, Alabama Thursday, August 24, 2023 1 Section, 8 Pages Plus 1 Adv Insert

With triple digit temps and high heat indices affecting the area this week

Take extra precautions to prevent heat-related illnesses and deaths

With temperatures in the triple digits and high heat indices predicted this week, the Alabama Department of Public Health (ADPH) advises the public to be alert to the warning signs of heat illnesses.

Heat-related illnesses occur when the body is exposed to high temperatures and high humidity. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), people who are highest risk of heat illnesses include people ages 65 and older, children younger than 2, and people with chronic diseases or mental illness. Other who are disproportionately affected include athletes, outdoor workers, and people in low-income households.

Anyone exposed to high temperatures or extreme heat, however, can experience symptoms when the body's temperature control

system is overloaded.

"Dangerous heat is expected this week through the last weekend of August. The most persistent, dangerous heat is expected over southeast Alabama and the Florida Panhandle, where temperatures will reach or exceed 100 degrees," said Grant Lyons, deputy director for the Coffee County EMA office. "Heat Index values could require the issuance of heat advisories into this weekend, and an eventual excessive heat warning is possible."

Taking this into consideration, officials urge the public to stay cool, stay hydrated and stay informed. The most common heat-related illnesses are as follows:

- Heat cramps
- Heat exhaustion
- Heat stroke

Heat cramps – include muscle pains or spasms

(abdomen, arms or legs), profuse sweat, and high salt concentration in the sweat.

Heat exhaustion – is associated with heavy

sweating, paleness, muscle cramps, tiredness, weakness, dizziness, headache, nausea, or vomiting and fainting. Other possible symptoms may include cool and moist skin, fast and weak pulse rate, fast

and shallow breathing, or irritability. Older adults, those with high blood pressure, and those working or exercising in a hot environment are prone to heat exhaustion. If heat exhaustion is not treated, it may

progress to heatstroke. Heat stroke or sun stroke – the most serious heat-related illness, a life-threatening problem, may occur when

See HEAT, Page 3

Maximum Temperature Forecast

	8/21	8/22	8/23	8/24	8/25	8/26	8/27
	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
Albany	96	98	100	96	98	100	98
Apalachicola	89	91	92	91	91	92	92
Bainbridge	98	100	102	98	100	102	101
Cross City	95	97	97	95	96	96	96
Cuthbert	94	98	99	95	97	99	97
DeFuniak Springs	97	99	102	100	99	101	100
Dothan	96	98	101	97	98	101	99
Panama City	96	97	99	96	96	98	97
Perry	94	94	96	93	94	94	94
Tallahassee	96	97	99	96	97	99	99
Tifton	95	97	98	94	97	99	96
Valdosta	96	97	98	95	96	98	97

*Table values in °F

**Created: 4 am EDT Mon 8/21/2023

***Values are maximums over the period beginning at the time shown.

Maximum Heat Index Forecast

	8/21	8/22	8/23	8/24	8/25	8/26	8/27
	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
Albany	103	107	109	104	105	106	105
Apalachicola	99	105	109	103	103	107	109
Bainbridge	104	109	110	105	108	109	109
Cross City	103	105	106	102	103	106	107
Cuthbert	100	105	107	103	103	104	102
DeFuniak Springs	103	109	113	112	109	111	109
Dothan	101	106	110	106	106	108	107
Panama City	106	111	116	110	110	116	114
Perry	102	105	108	101	102	105	107
Tallahassee	102	106	110	104	105	109	110
Tifton	102	106	107	100	104	106	103
Valdosta	104	107	109	103	104	106	107

*Table values in °F

**Created: 4 am EDT Mon 8/21/2023

***Values are maximums over the period beginning at the time shown.

These charts were released earlier this week by the National Weather Service

Single vehicle wreck on Hwy. 134 claims life of Enterprise man

A single-vehicle crash that occurred at approximately 10 p.m. Wednesday Aug. 16, claimed the life of an Enterprise man, according to local authorities. Coffee County Coroner Arnold Woodham identified the victim as Joshua Garland Wyatt, age 40, of Enterprise, Ala.,

According to the Alabama Law Enforcement Agency (ALEA) Wyatt was fatally injured when the 2005 Chevrolet Trailblazer he was driving left the roadway and overturned. He reportedly was not using a seat belt at the time of the crash, and as a result, he was ejected from the vehicle.

Coroner Woodham pronounced Wyatt deceased at the scene.

The crash occurred on Alabama Hwy. 134 near the 7-mile marker, approximately 10 miles west of Enterprise, in Coffee County.

Elba receives multiple awards at Main Street Alabama conference

On Thursday, Aug. 17, Main Street Alabama held its 10th annual Awards of Excellence Banquet at Stovehouse in Huntsville, Ala., to celebrate the successes of local programs.

Main Street Alabama's President and State Coordinator, Mary Helmer Wirth, and Assistant State Coordinator, Trisha Black, recognized projects, and individuals who made significant contributions to their communities. The Awards of Excellence program highlighted the tremendous impacts of these honorees in their respective areas.

"We are so honored to be recognized by Main Street Alabama," said Elba Main Street Director Sandy Williams. "This is a testament to the hard work and dedication of our community members who are committed to making Elba a great place to live, work, and play. We are grateful for the support of our local businesses, organizations, and residents who have made this possible."

The awards that Main Street Elba won include:

- Main Street Alabama's Award of Excellence: This award recognizes the overall excellence of a Main Street program.
- Main Street Alabama's Award for Economic Vitality: This award recognizes a Main Street program that has made significant progress in economic development. Over one million dollars in reinvestments.
- Main Street Alabama's Award for Community and Volunteer Engagement: This



Melissa Wood, owner of Wood Accounting of Elba, accepted the Main Street Award of Excellence for Building Design.

award recognizes a Main Street program that has effectively engaged its community in its revitalization efforts.

- Main Street Alabama's Award for Building Design: This award recognized Elba and Melissa Wood for preserving and

See ELBA, Page 3



THE WIREGRASS WOLVERINES semi-pro football team, based in Elba, came up just a bit short in claiming a win last Saturday night when the Wolverines dropped a 28-26 decision to the Savannah Raiders from Georgia. It was an exciting game from start to finish that was not decided until the final seconds ticked off the clock. Above, Elba own Richmon Singletary scampers for a big gain late in the game for the Wolverines. This Saturday, Aug. 26, the Wolverines will play their last regular home game for the season at Foggy Bottom Stadium in downtown Elba when they host the league's #1 ranked Cherokee County Bruins. Kickoff for this game is 7 p.m.

During Elba BOE meeting held Aug. 15th

Superintendent said interviews taking place for new assistant principal for Elba schools

During the Elba Board of Education meeting held Tuesday evening, Aug. 15, Superintendent Chris

Moseley said the school system still had two vacancies to fill for the school year, but he said he was

hopeful recommendations for those spots would come soon.

The two open positions are for an assistant principal for the schools and an aide spot at the elementary school. Moseley said he wanted those conducting the interviews to have time to find the people they feel 'best fit the slots' before making recommendations for hire.

With that said, however, he indicated he might possibly reach out to the board to call a special meeting prior to the September regular meeting to fill the two vacancies.

"Both positions have been advertised and they are working diligently to get those interviews done," Moseley said.

He said when it is time to make recommendations to

See BOE, Page 3

Area Happenings

The Elba Elementary School PTO will meet Thursday, Aug. 31, at 6 p.m. at EES. Topics for the meeting will include: Title I, Fall Festival, Grandparents Breakfast, ACAP Growth Dance Party, and the Fall Semester Calendar of Events. All interested in helping the PTO this school year are asked to attend the meeting.

The Coffee County Extension office will host a Venomous Snake Handling training Monday, Sept. 18, from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m., at the Coffee County Farm Center in New Brockton. This workshop is for first responders, city employees, road crews, groundskeepers, or anyone else who may encounter a venomous snake, or would just like to learn more about snakes. The workshop is free to attend thanks to Auburn University's "Tiger Giving Day" but participants must register to attend. The workshop is limited to 25 participants registered by visiting www.aces.edu/go/snake-training. For questions, contact Regional Extension Agent Bence Carter at 334-389-4055, or the Coffee County Extension office at 334-894-5596.



ELBA "TIGER" PRIDE...Several of the Elba High School football players could be seen downtown Elba last Saturday morning, Aug. 19, picking up trash. This has become an annual tradition for the players to give back to the community that supports them. The clean up day is done prior to the start of football season. Above, the players are pictured at Tiger Town Park with the bags of trash they gathered to help keep Elba looking good!

BRAINSTORMS

With Ferrin Cox

"Human beings, who are almost unique in having the ability to learn from the experience of others, are also remarkable for their apparent disinclination to do so." – Douglas Adams

Vivek Ramaswamy, one of many Republican candidates for president, is gaining in the popularity totals according to recent polls. However, if a person listens to some of his comments they will probably look around and ask, "Did he just say THAT?" One of the comments that has apparently caused him lots of flack is, "But if he doesn't show up on that debate stage, that will be the best proof that the Donald Trump of today is not the same Donald Trump as in 2016." By Sunday he had modified that comment to "it is alright if he misses the first few debates." A newcomer to politics he is discovering that it is a career where the candidates are prone to, 'open mouth and insert foot', only to be forced to retract the comments after a huge public outcry.

A brand name chain of businesses reportedly made the offer of \$1,000 to someone to be a "taste taster". The deal included an additional \$250 to purchase snack items at any of their stores and report back to the company on their like or dislike of the various snacks. The short news blip on some social media site didn't report exactly how many people volunteered to take the money for tasting the snacks. In another short clip it was reported that 10,000 people volunteered to change their name to "Subway" to gain a "free pizza for life card". We assume both of these deals were on the up-and-up but would sure hate to officially change our name even for an offer of that much food and then find out it was a sham.

Elba utility crews did a bit of system upgrade or something in the downtown area one afternoon last week, on into dark-time. Sometime after dark they cut the lights for a few minutes along Claxton Avenue. Just as we grabbed a half gallon of ice cream from the freezer, the lights went out! We really wanted a cup as we were hot, hot, hot - so what to do? Quickly deciding we had eaten enough ice cream in our life to know the mechanics of eating the stuff without the aid of light, we fumbled around for a cup and spoon and - success, we had a cup of cold, cold ice cream, without the aid of the lights. About the time the cup of cream was finished the lights came back on and we resumed our book reading - with our craving for the ice cream fully satisfied.

The courts are the battleground for laws dealing with puberty blockers and hormones to treat transgender children. We don't come near to understanding all the ups and downs dealing with this issue but do have an opinion. We think making permanent physical changes dealing with the sexuality of minors is premature. They are still children and who knows what their opinions will be as adults. Therefore, we lean to waiting until they are adults and let them make the decision AS ADULTS. Of course there are lots of issues these children will be dealing with until that time and they need AND DESERVE the love, compassion and support of their family and friends during these trying times.

The Elba Clipper

USPS 171-080

is published every Thursday by The Elba Clipper,
417 W. Buford St., Elba, Alabama 36323
Publication Postage paid at Elba, Alabama 36323

Postmaster: Send Address Changes To:
The Elba Clipper, P.O. Box 677, Elba, AL 36323-0677

Copyright - all Rights Reserved
TELEPHONE (334) 897-2823 or fax (334) 897-3434
e-mail clipper@troycable.net

John Ferrin Cox - PUBLISHER
Linda Hodge - EDITOR
Ricky Mularz - SPORTS

SUBSCRIPTION RATES
Coffee County & Surrounding Counties - \$21 per year
6 Months - \$11, including city & state tax
Alabama Counties - \$24 per year - including tax
6 months - \$13
Outside Alabama - \$27 per year - 6 months - \$15

YOUR SAVINGS CONNECTION

Tune up, change filters and **SAVE**. Having a professional maintain your heating and cooling system at least once a year saves energy and money (and helps your system last longer).

Connecting you to savings!

Jane Brunson, Chairman
Tom Maddox, Superintendent
(334) 897-2333


ELBA
Water & Electric

Elba Water and Electric • (334) 897-2333



EDITORIAL

Being a positive influence on others in the community

Elba High School varsity football players Lakendrick Jordan, senior, and Cayden Adkins, junior, left football practice one recent evening and made a stop at Foggy Bottom stadium where rec league practices were underway. The purpose of the stop, according to Greg Adkins, was to drop something off.

They could have just dropped off the item and left, but instead, Cayden and Lakendrick stayed to help with football practice for the little league Tigers. It wasn't planned...it just happened.

Fortunately, someone caught this special time on camera by snapping a few photos (as shown to the right). This is a great example of being a positive influence on others in the community. The youngsters most likely will never for-

get the day these two stayed at their practice to help teach them the fundamentals of the game. What a prime example of "Tiger Pride" and caring for others!



Cuzin Lou Lou's
Tales from Yonder

Editor's Note: Cuzin Lou Lou's tales are to be enjoyed as a light-hearted form of Southern expression

As promised to Little Bean, Cuzin Lou Lou got 'caught up' on those extra projects she was working on last week, and the cuddles resumed!

So, Bean once again is a happy baby because she gets to relax on the couch and play with her mommy instead of lying in her doggie bed longing for that computer work to end. Sister says it is unreal how attached to Lou Lou the little monster can be at times, but Lou Lou isn't complaining one bit!

Lou Lou did get a big 'ole eye roll out of Sister over the weekend while the two were taking care of a little grocery shopping.

They had ventured down the 'chip isle' to grab some chips for Papa because, as it has been revealed, that man loves to snack.

When Lou Lou grabbed the bag of chips, she declared, "These are for Papa! He needs his own bag because he ate mine and Bean's Munchos this week."

That statement received a suspicious look from Sister.

"Bean enjoys a Muncho every now and again, so, I try to keep them on hand!"

Sister wasn't buying it. She insisted the true story was that Lou Lou enjoys the Munchos "every now and again" and Bean wants some of whatever her mommy is eating.

Well...that might be true, but Bean does like them. So, Lou Lou likes to keep some on hand for a little treat now and again.

Lou Lou doesn't let Bean eat too many at one time because she is supposed to be on a diet, but one every now and again doesn't hurt! At least that is Lou Lou's story and she is sticking with it!

"Uh huh," was Sister's only response.

As if that wasn't a big enough eye rolling revela-

tion for Sister, it got even better at home a short while later.

Lou Lou admittedly has a bad habit of chewing ice. It began as a side effect of being anemic and has just blossomed into a full-blown habit now.

Turns out Little Bean also has likes to chew on a piece of ice too!

When Sister walked into the room just in time to witness Lou Lou handing Bean a piece of ice, that really got her going!

"I cannot believe she is chewing ice with you!" Sister exclaimed as those eyes rolled. "I have seen it all now!"

Lou Lou just shrugged!

The only problem Lou Lou has found with this new habit is the little monster has become quite demanding for the ice! Every time she hears ice rattle in a cup, she turns those longing eyes toward Lou Lou waiting to be rewarded with piece. This means Lou Lou can barely enjoy the ice herself now for having to supply it to the monster.

All the while, Sister just shakes her head and insists it is unbelievable! Oh well!

Until next time...God Bless and Keep Smiling!

It's HOT Out There!
Keep that A/C cooling!!



Williams Auto Parts

405 Davis Street
Elba, Alabama
(334) 897-2231

1161 Geneva Hwy
Enterprise, Alabama
(334) 417-0237

The Parts You Need • Affordable Prices

FAX

Service Available at The Elba Clipper

Badcock & more

ANNIVERSARY SALE
SAVE UP TO 30%
(and more!)



Benton Reclining Sofa | 121863
Add Reclining Console Loveseat - \$1199 | 121864



Garrison
5pc Counter Dining Set - Table & 4 Chairs | 886566



Augusta II Queen Bed | 885309
3pc Queen Bedroom - \$1499 | 885312
While supplies last!

FINANCE OPTIONS for every budget

246 Factory Avenue Elba (334) 853-0191
Located on the Courthouse Square



The Elba Masonic Lodge #170 held its last regular meeting for the month Monday evening, Aug. 21, 2023. Cake and ice cream were served before the meeting to celebrate birthdays and provide an opportunity for fellowship. In addition to the normal business, Brother William Earl Moore turned in his Entered Apprentice lesson and was then passed to the degree of Fellowcraft. It was a great night of fellowship for all that attended! Those pictured include: (front, l to r) Chris Sanders, Mike Amison, William Earl Moore, Mac Moore, Wendell Black, Bridge Harrison, Harry Young, Shane Goude, Mike Marler, Seth Hanchey, Shawn Sawyer, Larry Shaw, and Drexell Richards; (middle, l to r) Daniel Stephens, Matt Brunson, Dale Stewart, Jerome Blackmon, Eric Bradshaw, Allan Crenshaw, Chris Camley, Johnny Davis, and Joe Daugherty; (back, l to r) Justin Prescott, Ashton Davis, Eddie Kelley, Michael Phelps, Tommy Morrow, Ronnie Rawls, Mike Murphy, Tim Marler, and Steve Dewberry.

Local DAR members attend 9th Meeting of the Districts

Members of the John Coffee Chapter National Society Daughters of the American Revolution recently met for the 9th Meeting of the Districts (MOD) at The Hotel at Auburn University and Dixon Conference Center, Auburn, Ala.

First day activities included registration, a genealogy workshop and a Finding Our Wings dinner. The state regent's logo has been the butterfly during her term and her challenge has been finding our wings to become effective DAR members.

Second day of the conference included a choice of five workshops in the

first session and a choice between five more workshops during the second session. During the lunch session a report was given from the National Board of Management Sessions, Reports of State Officers, selected Committee Reports, DAR Leadership Training Course(s) Graduations, awards presentations, registration report (400+ attendees), and an invitation to 126th State Conference, March 1-3, 2024, in Auburn.

Those interested in finding out how to join DAR, contact Shirley Skinner at shirley_skinner@hotmail.com.



Local DAR members at the Meeting of the Districts included (from left) Immediate Past Regent Jacque Hawkins, Registrar Shirley Skinner, Regent Betty Ann Stinson, Melissa Donnell and Secretary Amanda Skinner.

(Continued from Page ONE)

HEAT

occur when the body is unable to control its temperature. Body temperature may rise to 106 degrees F or higher within 10 -15 minutes. Signs include an extremely high body temperature, red, hot and dry or moist skin, rapid, strong pulse, throbbing headache, dizziness, nausea, dehydration, combativeness or confusion,

and unconsciousness. Heat stroke is a medical emergency and even with immediate treatment, it can be life-threatening or cause serious long-term problems. Recommendations are that people drink plenty of fluids except alcohol or caffeinated beverages to prevent dehydration, stay in an air-conditioned room, keep out

of the sun by seeking shelter, wear a wide-brimmed hat, light-colored and loose-fitting clothing, use sunscreen of SPF 15 or higher, take cool showers or baths, and reduce or eliminate strenuous activities during the hottest times of the day. NEVER leave people or pets in a parked vehicle. Persons with heart disease,

diabetes, obesity, poor circulation, or previous stroke problems, people of older and younger ages, and those taking certain medications are at greater risk of becoming ill in hot weather. For more information, visit or <https://www.alabamapublichealth.gov/injury-prevention/index.html>

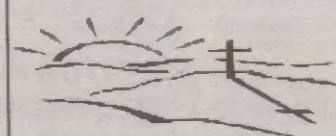
Additionally, Lyons said the week ahead will be rain-free in most places. It will take until Sunday, Aug. 27, to see more normal summertime rain chances start to return.

"In combination with near-record heat, wildland fuels will rapidly dry out, and live fuels will become stressed," he said. "Fire danger will increase. Wildfires that develop will show active fire behavior with possible control problems."

**Attend
the Church
of Your
Choice!**

Horizon Vault & Monument Company, Inc.

Caring service when it matters the most



Locally Owned & Operated by
Heath and Jessica Wyrosdick

P.O. Box 678
1614 County Road 359
Elba, AL 36323

(334) 897-8300

Southeast Insurance Inc.

Established 1993 • Service with Experience

Don't get caught without coverage...

We Have the Insurance You Need!

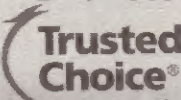
- Home • Auto
- Commercial
- Life • Church
- Boat • ATV
- Motorcycle

and Much More!

Call or Go Online for A Quote!

Southeast Insurance, Inc.

P.O. Box 560 • Elba, AL 36323



Phone: (334) 897-3431

Website: southeastinsuranceinc.com

Email: RKYoung4@aol.com

Obituaries

Obits are updated regularly on our website: www.elba-clipper.com

BILLY JOE DAVIS

Mr. Billy Joe Davis, age 86, of Enterprise, Ala., formerly of Elba, Ala., died Sunday, Aug. 20, 2023, at his home in Enterprise.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, Aug. 22, 2023, from the Chapel of Hayes Funeral Home in Elba with Rev. Ruby Nell Lawson officiating. Burial followed in the Ino Baptist Church Cemetery.

Mr. Davis was preceded in death by his father, Tommie I Davis; mother, Mattie Lee Camley Davis; granddaughter, Amy Tyler-German, along with three sisters and two brothers.

Survivors include his wife: Evelyn Davis, Enterprise; daughters: Jan (Toney) Dervan, Coffee Springs, Ala., Beverly (Michael) Greenwood, Enterprise; grandsons: Joe (Ashley) Tyler, Panama City, Fla., Aaron (Delilah) Tyler, Chancellor, Ala., Alan Dervan, Decatur, Texas, Joshua Dervan, Panama City, Hunter (Payton) White, Dothan, Ala., Alexander Greenwood, Enterprise, Casey Greenwood, Birmingham, Ala.; granddaughter: Ashley Greenwood, Auburn, Ala.; 15 great-grandchildren [and two Angels]; two great great-grandchildren; and his fur baby, Paisley.

RONALD ARTHUR HORNSBY

Mr. Ronald Arthur "Ronnie" Hornsby, age 62, of New Brockton, Ala., died

Saturday, Aug. 19, 2023, at Medical Center Enterprise in Enterprise, Ala.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, Aug. 22, 2023, from the Chapel of Hayes Funeral Home in Elba, Ala., with Rev.

Derek Snellgrove officiating. Burial followed in the Old Tabernacle Church Cemetery.

He was preceded in death by his daughter, Ryan Erie Hornsby.

Survivors include his wife: Debbie Hornsby, Montgomery, Ala.; mother: Juanita Hornsby, New Brockton; father: Arthur (Keum Sun) Hornsby, New Brockton; brothers: Matt (Keri) Hornsby, Loxley, Ala., and Ralph (Kathy) Hornsby, White House, Tenn.; nieces: Emily (David) Poovey, Birmingham, Ala., Kelsey Hornsby, Loxley; nephews: Adam (Cassidy) Hornsby, Fort Riley, Kan., Eric (Jen) Hornsby, Fort Bragg, N.C., Zachary (Kelly) Hornsby, Jacksonville, Fla., and Jared Hornsby, Loxley; great-niece: Rylie Hornsby, Jacksonville; and great-nephew: Riley Hornsby, Fort Riley.

BOE

(Continued from Page 1)

fill the positions, he would like to get that done as soon as possible to get those employees in place.

"We are probably looking at taking a teacher away from another school system, especially with the assistant principal, so when the time comes, I'd like to get the ball rolling to get them in place here as soon as we can," Moseley said.

If the new assistant principal comes to Elba from other school system, the superintendent said he would work with the other system to make that transition as quick and smooth as possible for both systems.

Also, during the meeting, board members approved a budget amendment. Chief Financial Officer Valiece McKelvy said this was simply to budget carryover funds from Fiscal Year 2022. She said these mostly dealt with federal dollars.

ELBA

(Continued from Page ONE)

redoing three buildings in its historic downtown.

Local Main Street programs also selected a Main Street Hero that honored an individual, business or organization that made an outstanding contribution to their program and was recognized at the Toast to Heroes Reception. Elba's Hero honored was Carrie Whitworth for creation of Marley Acres.

"This event was a celebration to recognize the achievements of various local Main Street programs," said Wirth. "Each community has been working tirelessly to improve, revitalize, and revitalize their downtown or district. The success stories shared at the event were truly inspiring, showcasing the dedication of businesses, organizations, and individuals in making their communities the best they can be."

It was a night of celebration and recognition for the hard work put in by these Main Street programs. The Awards of Excellence Banquet is a highlight of LAB, a three-day annual conference that bolsters



Sandy Williams, Elba's Main Street director, accepts an award during last week's state event.

the efforts of communities participating in the nationally acclaimed Main Street program or those communities interested in district revitalization. The tenth annual event drew over 150 community leaders from Alabama.

Main Street Alabama

STOP

Elder Abuse, Neglect & Exploitation

Contact DHR to Make a Report

1-800-458-7214

aps@dhr.alabama.gov

ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES

Bob Bush, DVM

Veterinary Express of Lake Martin

Small Animal Medicine & Surgery

334-343-0408

Intersection of Claxton Ave & Simmons St

10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Upcoming Elba Clinics: Aug. 30 & Sept. 13

ELBA | ENTERPRISE

Coleman

FUNERAL HOME AND CREMATORY

Coleman & Sowell Memorial & Vault

~ Complete Cemetery Work ~

2 Locations:

2011 Hickman Ave - Elba

701 Daleville Ave - Enterprise

PRE-NEED FUNERAL & MONUMENT AVAILABLE

Serving with Dignity and Care!

334-897-2705 or 334-393-6583

Ask Heath

Heath Wyrosdick, Funeral Director/Embalmer

Hayes Funeral Home

Our Family Serving Your Family Since 1934

How are Grief/Mourning Different When a Loved One with Alzheimer's Dies?

When a loved one has Alzheimer's, grieving can begin the day you learn of the Alzheimer's diagnosis, or you may notice feelings of grief as your loved one begins to lose their memory and starts to struggle with daily tasks. As the person with Alzheimer's capacity declines, feelings of loss can become more profound. Even though you want to do everything you can to slow down the progression of the disease, there is often not much you can do. This can make you feel hopeless or out of control.

It may feel like your grief is a never-ending rollercoaster, and your feelings will likely be unpredictable. You may feel angry one day and sad the next. There will be moments of happiness in there too, and that may even cause feelings of guilt for feeling happy while a loved one continues to suffer.

After your loved one passes, you will grieve and mourn again. However, it is common for surviving spouses and family members to feel a sense of relief that their loved one is no longer suffering and that this chapter in their own lives has closed. Unfortunately, this can also lead to survivor's guilt because you feel guilty for feeling relieved. Know that these feelings are normal.

Ways to Manage Grief

Face your feelings. Instead of trying to hide from your feelings or push them aside, embrace them. Know that sadness and grief will be a part of your life and that this is ok.

Know that many people will not understand your grief. Many people think grief happens when someone dies, not when that person is still alive. So they may not realize you are grieving while your loved one is still alive.

Make sure you talk to someone and share your feelings. This may be a trusted friend or family member or even a counselor or therapist.

Take care of yourself. It may be hard to muster the energy to socialize at this time, especially as you need to spend more time caring for your loved one. Spending time with friends can help you to be a better caregiver. Try to carve out time for things you enjoy and that bring you joy.

Give yourself time to heal. It would be nice to be able to know exactly when your grief will end, but that is impossible to know. It will be a long process. Know that eventually your grief will start to subside, and you will start to feel happy.

If you would like a free funeral decisions guide, please email me at hayesth@hayesfuneralhome.net

431 East Davis Elba, Alabama 36323 (334) 897-2225

CHURCH NEWS



A large group gathered Sunday afternoon, Aug. 20, at Elba City Schools to participate in the Prayer Walk 2023, sponsored by the Coffee County Baptist Women on Missions. This was for all denominations, and both young and old participated. At Elba, over 150 people gathered to pray over Elba Elementary and Elba High Schools (the top photo shows many of those gathered). The group came together in the EES cafeteria for an opening assembly and prayer, led by Elba First Baptist pastor Kit Johnson (right), before dividing into smaller groups to walk around each school praying for the students, teacher, administrators, etc. Similar prayer walks were held at school all across Coffee County on Sunday.



PASTOR'S CORNER

by Dwight Johnson, Pastor
Elba First Assembly of God

My wife was very proud of me last week. I was able to take some salvaged wood from a very old house that was torn down, and after lots of measuring, cutting, sanding, and finishing, give her a "new" TV table. But, the thanks should really go to Mr. Leverette.

I don't even remember Mr. Leverette's first name. He was my ninth grade Shop Class (it might have been called Vocational Education) teacher. We spent a few weeks on welding, a few on brick laying, a few on agriculture, etc. The unit that really stood out to me was carpentry.

Mr. Leverette introduced the class to some basic tools and guided us as we all built a simple gun rack. I'd like to say that carpentry became a lifelong hobby, but instead, it was more of an interest. Only in recent years have I had the opportunity to develop my interest, but the seed was planted long ago by Mr. Leverette.

The Bible has much to say about sowing and reaping; planting and harvest. There are far more scriptures than can be explored here, but I urge you to study this subject. Let me say this, however: Continue to plant your seed. Invest in someone's life; work toward your dream. Delayed results can be disappointing. We might feel that our labor was in vain, but the seed hasn't died. In time, it will germinate, and harvest will come.

Thanks, Mr. Leverette.

Clay Shoot set for this Saturday at Zion Chapel Baptist Church

The Zion Chapel Baptist Church Men's Ministry Annual Clay Shoot will be Saturday, Aug. 26, at 9 a.m., at 27057 Hwy. 87, Elba. Lunch will be provided. There will be prizes for first, second, and third place. Participants should bring their own shells.

Prayer is the Answer!



APPLICATIONS AVAILABLE FOR
PUBLIC HOUSING AND SECTION 8

ELBA
Housing Authority

1207 North Claxton Avenue • Elba, AL 36323
(334) 897-2737 • www.elbahousing.org



The Elba Housing Authority does not discriminate because of race, color, national origin, sex, perceived sexual orientation, gender identity, marital status, religion, familial status, or disability. The Elba Housing Authority has handicapped accessible units.

Round and About With Eria's Daughter

334-282-2200



Scripture: God's Perfect Knowledge of Man. Psalm 139: 1-24

Thinking of You! Praying for You.

Beatrice Belcher, Dallas Luckett, Tommie Mae Faison Davis, Corene Daniels, Marcus D. Kelley, All Bereaved Families, Robyn Patterson, Shanika Pruitt/Kids, Mary Jean Warren

October Birthdays

Zena Cole 10/7
Peaches Jackson 10/10
Effie Johnson 10/10
Vickie Jean Smith Florence 10/10
Robert (Moe) Edwards 10/11
Emmanuel Staldworth 10/13
Asja Jolie Rudolph 10/14
Lois Russell 10/16
A.Z. Stoudmire 10/16
Barbara Tillis 10/17
Barbara K. Smith 10/17
Minnie J. Andrews 10/17
Eric Culver 10/17

creates literal and figurative gapers' delay; and fascination with the macabre can lead to further tragedy. We all can give examples of times when "curiosity killed the cat" proved to be true in one sense or another. Curiosity proved to be a positive thing for Zacchaeus, who wanted to see Jesus (Luke 19). Herod also wanted to see Jesus (Luke 23: 8,9), but the outcome was negative because of his motives. Curiosity could have resulted in death for the Israelites at Mount Sinai. They were not to be gapers of God's glory. The double-edged sword of curiosity should cause us to examine ourselves. What things should we not be curious about? See Timothy 1: 3-7, etc. — C.R.B.

Question / Answer Section

Q/A for the Week of 8/24/23
Multiple Choice

Q: In the coming peace, the wolf will dwell with the what? (lamb, owl, snake)

A: Lamb (Isaiah 11:6)

Q: What has the Son inherited that is more excellent than that of the angels? (mission, people, name)

A: Name (Hebrews 1:4)

Q: How many gates will the new Jerusalem have? (3, 7, 12)

A: 12 (Revelation 21:12)

Thought to Remember

We are never so empty, as when we are full of self.

Questions for the Week of 8/31/23

Multiple Choice

Q: What did Jesus experience that is just like what we experience? (commission of sin, failure of faith, temptation)

Q: Biblically, Jesus can be called what (pick two)? (Dove, Apostle, High Priest, Shaman)

Today is a good day! Be grateful.

Eria's Daughter, Sue

Church Directory



IN HIM WAS
LIFE AND
THE LIFE
WAS THE
LIGHT OF
MEN

**ABOUNDING GRACE
COMMUNITY CHURCH**
Rockey Pearce, Pastor
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.

**ABUNDANT LIFE
CHURCH SAMSON, Ala.**
Richard Thoro Sr., Pastor
Morn. Worship... 10:30 a.m.
Wed. Night Service 7:00 p.m.

**ALBERTON BAPTIST
CHURCH**
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

BASIN BAPTIST CHURCH
Sam Self, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:30 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 10:30 a.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet... 6:30 p.m.

BETHEL AME CHURCH
Deborah A. Butler, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Bible Study... 6:00 p.m.

**BETHLEHEM BAPTIST
CHURCH**
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:30 a.m.
Wed. Bible Class... 6:30 p.m.

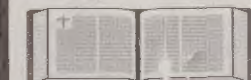
**BETHANY BAPTIST
CHURCH**
Greg Cotter, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m.
Disciple Train... 5:30 p.m.
Even. Worship... 6:30 p.m.

**BLUFF SPRINGS
BAPTIST CHURCH**
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 6:30 p.m.

**BROOKLYN BAPTIST
CHURCH**
Robert Davis, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship... 6:00 p.m.

**CHESTNUT GROVE
METHODIST CHURCH**
Remonia Smith, Pastor
Church Service... 9:00 a.m.
2nd & 4th Sundays
Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.
1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
2nd & 4th Sundays

**CORNERSTONE BIBLE
CHURCH**
Larry Mills, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Sunday Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Night... 7:00 p.m.



**COVENANT COMMUNITY
CHURCH**
Paul Jackson, Pastor
Sunday Fellowship... 9:30 a.m.
Sunday Worship... 10:00 a.m.
Wed. Night "Peak of the Week & meal" 5:30 p.m.
Bible Study & Prayer... 6:15 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.

**DAMASCUS BAPTIST
CHURCH**
Steve Watson, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

**DORCAS BAPTIST
CHURCH**

Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Discipleship Training 5:00 p.m.
Even. Worship... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet... 7:00 p.m.

**EANON BAPTIST
CHURCH**
Mark Ward, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:30 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Bible Study... 6:15 p.m.

ELBA CHURCH OF CHRIST
Philip Box, Minister
Bible Study... 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study... 6:30 p.m.

ELBA CHURCH OF GOD
David Noble, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:45 a.m.
Even. Worship... 5:00 p.m.

**ELBA CHURCH OF GOD
OF PROPHECY**
H.L. Buckner, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Night... 6:00 p.m.
Thurs. Night... 7:00 p.m.

**ELBA DELIVERANCE
TABERNACLE**
Allen Richards, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Service... 7:00 p.m.

ELBA 1st ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Dwight Johnson, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:30 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 10:30 a.m.
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Service... 6:30 p.m.

**ELBA FIRST BAPTIST
CHURCH**
Kit Johnson, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Service... 6:30 p.m.

**ELBA UNITED
METHODIST CHURCH**
Steve Reneau, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m.
Even. Services... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study... 6:00 p.m.

**ELBA ZION BAPTIST
CHURCH**
Lovell Martin, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.

**EVANGELIST TEMPLE
CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST**
Timothy Williams, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:30 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:30 a.m.
Wed. Bible Study... 6:00 p.m.

**FAIRVIEW BAPTIST
CHURCH**
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet 7:30 p.m.

**FAITH CHAPEL
COMMUNITY CHURCH**
Phillip Adecock, Pastor
Sunday Morning... 10:30 a.m.
Sunday Evening... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

**1st ASSEMBLY OF GOD -
KINSTON**
Danny Bradshaw, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Bible Study... 7:00 p.m.

FRIENDSHIP BAPTIST
Scott Donaldson, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 6:30 p.m.

**FRIENDSHIP HOLINESS
CHURCH**
Edward E. Drake, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening... 5:00 p.m.

**GODS POWER HOUSE
EVANGELISTIC CHURCH**
Overseers - Billy Berry
Sat. Service... 6:00 p.m.
Sun. Service... 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 4:00 p.m.

GRACE FELLOWSHIP
John Curtis Isaacs, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Service... 7:00 p.m.

**GREATER NEW ZION
BAPTIST CHURCH**
Marvin Luckett Jr., Pastor
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Bible Study... 6:00 p.m.

HARRIS TEMPLE COGIC
W. K. Ellison, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Service... 6:00 p.m.

**HAM UNITED
METHODIST CHURCH**
Rev. Steve Reneau, Pastor
Morn. Worship... 8:45 a.m.

**HAW HILL ASSEMBLY
OF GOD**
Shirley Ellis, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet... 7:00 p.m.

HEBRON BAPT. CHURCH
Mark Cooper, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 6:30 p.m.
Wed. Even. Meeting 7:00 p.m.

HOLY TEMPLE COGIC
Glenwood, AL
Sunday Prayer... 9:30 a.m.
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Worship Service... 11:00 a.m.

INO ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Wesley D. Ard, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting 6:30 p.m.

INO BAPTIST CHURCH
Garry Winstead, Pastor
Sunday School... 8:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting 6:30 p.m.

JACK ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Matthew Morris, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 7:15 p.m.

**KINSTON 1st BAPT
CHURCH**
Heath Fountain, Pastor
Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m.
Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.

LIVING WORD CHURCH
Derrick Stinson, Pastor
Saturday Service... 9:45 a.m.
Sunday Service... 10:30 a.m.
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Youth Service 6:00 p.m.
Thurs. Service... 6:00 p.m.

**LIBERTY CHURCH OF
CHRIST**
Greg Hanchey, Minister
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.

LOVE'S WAY CHURCH
Charles Jones, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Service... 7:00 p.m.

**MT. CALVARY BAPTIST
CHURCH**
J. R. Parks, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
1st & 3rd Sundays

**MT. GILEAD BAPTIST
CHURCH**
Dewey Emfinger, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Service... 5:00 p.m.

**MT. OLIVE BAPTIST
CHURCH**
Olan Strickland, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.

**MT. ZION BAPTIST
CHURCH**
Will Jordan, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.

**MT. VERNON ASSEMBLY
OF GOD**
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.

**Cathedral of the Holy Spirit
NEW ABUNDANT LIFE DEL.**
Linda Williams, Pastor
Sunday... 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Even... 7:30 p.m.

**NEW JERUSALEM
CHURCH OF GOD IN
CHRIST - ENTERPRISE**
W. K. Ellison, Pastor
Morning Worship... 9:00 a.m.
Evening Worship... 6:00 p.m.
Tuesday Evening... 7:00 p.m.
Friday Evening... 7:00 p.m.

**NEWBAY BAPTIST
CHURCH**
Ed Russell, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Disciple Train... 5:00 p.m.
Evening Worship... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Night Service 7:00 p.m.

**NEW BROCKTON
METHODIST CHURCH**
Dr. Craig Bailey, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study... 6:30 p.m.

**NEW CHAPEL BAPTIST
CHURCH**
Terry Godwin, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Bible Study... 5:00 p.m.
Even. Worship... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet... 6:00 p.m.

**NEW EBENEZER
BAPTIST CHURCH**
Randall Pearson, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship... 5:30 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet... 6:00 p.m.

NEW GLORIOUS COGIC
James Starks Jr., Pastor
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship... 6:00 p.m.
Bib Stud Wed... 6:00 p.m.

**NEW HAVEN BAPTIST
CHURCH**
Allen Dieas, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m.
Even. Worship... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet... 6:30 p.m.

**NEW HAVEN ASSEMBLY
OF GOD CHURCH**
Brad Sasser, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Even. Service 6:30 p.m.

**NEW HOPE BAPT
CHURCH**
Lanny Shepard, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 6:30 p.m.

**NEW PHILADELPHIA
CHURCH OF GOD IN
CHRIST**
Loreal Flowers, Minister
Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
2nd & 4th Sundays

**OAK GROVE BAPTIST
CHURCH**
Julian Mitchell, Pastor
1st - 4th Sun. Morn.
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.

**OLD TABERNACLE UNITED
METHODIST CHURCH**
Lee Jones, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.

**PERDUE ASSEMBLY OF
GOD**
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Service... 7:00 p.m.

**PINEY GROVE ASSEMBLY
OF GOD - SAMSON**
Terry McCrummen, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Worship... 7:00 p.m.

**PRaise & GLORY
WORSHIP CENTER**
Roy L. Turner, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Service... 6:30 p.m.

**ROCKY HEAD M.B.
CHURCH**
A. R. Williams, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 10:30 a.m.
Wed. Bible Study... 6:00 p.m.
2nd & 4th Sundays

**ROETON BAPTIST
CHURCH**
Kerry Saxon, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet... 6:00 p.m.

**SHADY GROVE AME
CHURCH**
James Boots, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Praise Service Mon 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study... 6:00 p.m.

**SHILOH BAPTIST
CHURCH**
Leon Fortune, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 4:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet... 6:30 p.m.

**TAYLOR HILL COMMUNITY
BAPTIST CHURCH**
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Night Service 5:00 p.m.

**THE CHURCH OF
JESUS CHRIST**
Pastor Bishop E.H. Hill
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Noon Worship... 12 noon
Even. Service... 7:00 p.m.
Youth Ser. Mon... 7:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Class... 7:00 p.m.
Fri Missionary Ser. 7:00 p.m.

**THE WAY OF HOLINESS
CHURCH, Elba**
Max Reed, Minister
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:30 a.m.
Tuesday Bible Class 7:00 p.m.

**TRINITY BAPTIST
CHURCH**
C.P. Davis, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Night Service 6:00 p.m.

**VANDERBILT HOLINESS
CHURCH**
Donald Mills, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Night Service 6:00 p.m.

**VICTORIA BAPTIST
CHURCH**
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 5:45 p.m.
Wed. Worship... 7:00 p.m.

VICTORY TABERNACLE
Ruby Lawson, Pastor
Morn. Worship... 10:30 a.m.
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet... 7:00 p.m.

**WESTSIDE BAPTIST
CHURCH**
Ken Wilson, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet... 6:30 p.m.

**WHITEWATER BAPTIST
CHURCH**
Lucas Taylor, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet... 6:30 p.m.

**WISE MILL ASSEMBLY
OF GOD**
Dustin Wisecarver, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

**WOODLAND GROVE
BAPTIST CHURCH**
Donnie Marler, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet... 6:00 p.m.

**WOOTEN CHAPEL
ASSEMBLY OF GOD
CHURCH**
Mike Medley, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Service... 7:00 p.m.

CLASSIFIEDS

The Elba Clipper

P.O. Box 677 Elba, AL 36323

TO PLACE AN

AD

CALL 334-897-2823
FAX 334-897-3434
e-mail clipper@troycable.net

DEADLINE

The deadline for placing a classified or other advertisement is noon on Tuesday of the week in which the ad is to appear.

COST

Only **\$5.00** per week (first 15 words)

* Additional words 20¢ each

We reserve the right to edit or refuse any ad at any time

ERRORS

We strive to prevent errors in your ad, but any corrections necessary must be made immediately after first publication to insure proper credit.

PAYMENT

is by cash, check, credit card or 30-day charge with approved credit.

Prepaid personal ads get fourth week **FREE!**
Bordered classified ad cost **\$5.50** per column inch

FOR SALE

DirecTV Satellite TV Service Starting at \$59.99/month! Free Installation! 160+ channels available. Call Now to Get the Most Sports & Entertainment on TV! 844-594-7108

NEED NEW Flooring? Call Empire Today to schedule a Free in-home estimate on Carpeting and Flooring. Call Today! 1-888-381-0916.

UPDATE YOUR HOME with Beautiful New Blinds & Shades. FREE in-home estimates make it convenient to shop from home. Professional installation. Top quality - Made in the USA. Call for free consultation: 844-809-9165. Ask about our specials!

Eliminate gutter cleaning forever! LeafFilter, the most advanced debris-blocking gutter protection. Schedule a FREE LeafFilter estimate today. 20% off Entire Purchase. Plus 10% Senior & Military Discounts. Call 1-833-683-2005

GENERAC Standby Generators provide backup power during utility power outages, so your home and family stay safe and comfortable. Prepare now. Free 7-year extended warranty (\$695 value!). Request a free quote today! Call for additional terms and conditions. 1-877-323-5516

Use Happy Jack® DD-33 on dogs & cats to kill fleas and deer ticks on contact. Biodegradable! At Tractor Supply® (www.happyjackinc.com)

METAL ROOFS Completely Installed \$4750* Siding/Windows 40% Off. LIMITED TIME. Factory Warranty. Free Estimates. Credit cards accepted. SR/Military discounts *1500 sq ft CALL NOW !! 800-664-4856

EDUCATION

ATTENTION ACTIVE Duty & Military Veterans! Begin a new career and earn your Degree at CTI! Online Computer & Medical training available for Veterans & Families! To learn more, call 866-475-1014 (M-F 8am-6pm ET).

YARD SALE

MULTI FAMILY YARD SALE - 1289 Neil Grantham Drive. **Saturday, Aug. 26th.** Lots and lots of miscellaneous items. 6:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. 8/24.1tpd

SALES AND SERVICE

Parts, Parts, Parts Lawn Mowers, Chainsaws, ATV's, Etc. Repair Replacement Parts for most all your outdoor power equipment needs... Belts, Blades, Chains, Bar, Filter, Spark Plugs
REPAIR SALES & SERVICE
Give Us a Call 334-897-5168
New Phone Number (334) 282-6942
Randy's Small Motors Elba, AL 1/12-tfc-chg

SERVICES

BAKERS TREE SERVICE AND STUMP REMOVAL. 25 YEARS OF EXPERIENCE FREE Estimates. Call 897-2271 after 6:00 p.m. tfc

SELLING a RV, Tractor or Golf Cart? ADVERTISE STATEWIDE or by region in over 100 Newspapers, reaching over 1 million readers each week! Run your ad in our Classified Network for just \$210 per week! Make one call to this newspaper (participating Ala-SCAN newspaper) or call 1-800-264-7043 to find out how easy it is to advertise statewide!

BATH & SHOWER UPDATES in as little as **ONE DAY!** Affordable prices - No payments for 18 months! Lifetime warranty & professional installs. Senior & Military Discounts available. Call: 833-449-1307.

BECOME A PUBLISHED AUTHOR! We edit, print and distribute your work internationally. We do the work... You reap the Rewards! Call for a FREE Author's Submission Kit: 888-283-4780

LONG DISTANCE MOVING: Call today for a FREE QUOTE from America's Most Trusted Interstate Movers. Let us take the stress out of moving! Speak to a Relocation Specialist, call 844-925-3534

ERC Funds \$26,000 PER EMPLOYEE
If you had 5 or more employees doing COVID YOU MAY QUALIFY, copy and paste link on provided to find out https://www.topnotcherc.com/?agentreferral-id=DWM646

Vehicle Title Problem? We have a Solution!

Unclaimed/Abandoned Vehicles, Mobile Homes & Surety Bonds

JSE:Alabama's Vehicle Title Recovery Service!

We can help with most Titled Vehicles in Alabama, including Cars, Trucks, Motorcycles, RV's & Trailers. Stop in, by phone or online!

Free Phone Consultation
Call 1-251-342-8538
www.JSEAL.com

LEGAL NOTICES:

Public Notices also are posted on the websites:
www.elba-clipper.com and www.alabamapublicnotices.com at no extra charge

LEGAL NOTICE

I, Jason Mena, Monterrey's, JM WIT, LLC, have made application of the City of Elba for a **Restaurant Retail Liquor License on premises consumption** at this location, **522 N. Claxton Avenue, Elba, AL.** A public hearing will be held by the Elba City Council in the council chambers at Elba City Hall on Monday, August 28, 2023, 5:30 p.m.

8/10, 17 & 24-chg.

Rhonda Bozeman Brunson, Executrix of the Estate of Kenneth M. Johnson, Deceased 8/24,31,&9/7-pd.

BID#: 2023-05 ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Coffee County, Alabama Separate, sealed bids for the Proposed Sub-Contract Phases for "SBI-ABC Joint Facility" in Enterprise, Alabama, will be received by the County Commission Office at 1065 E. McKinnon St., New Brockton, AL, 36351, until 10:00 a.m. on the date of the bid in the Commission Office. Final bids must be received before the deadline at 10:00 a.m., Tuesday, September 19, 2023. Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud in the Community Room of the County Commission Office at 1065 E. McKinnon St., New Brockton, AL, 36351. Project prime phase II work consists of six (6) individual divisions of work as follows:

4. Interiors Contract with labor and material for the following:

a. All interior wall framing and wall sheathing materials including gypsum board hanging and preparation (float and finish as specified) all wall insulation, wall and floor tile (hard tile, LVT, carpet, bases, and all floor transitions).

b. All doors, door frames, with hardware and accessories. Interior windows, window frames with glass, glazing, and accessories (blinds, shades, and tinting).

c. All ceiling assembly systems - to include acoustical ceiling grid, acoustical ceiling tiles, above ceiling insulation where designated.

d. All cabinets and countertops per drawings and specifications.

e. All interior signage per drawings and specifications.

f. All fire extinguishers per drawings and specifications.

g. Provide submittals per drawings and specifications.

h. All items not included in 5 through 9 below, refer to Alternates & Allowances sheet T0.1.

5. Painting Contract with labor and material for a complete installation of the following:

a. Painting and finishing all walls, doors, door frames, etc.

b. Exterior items to include miscellaneous metals and parking lot striping. Provide a separate price for painting concrete garage floor.

c. Contractor to provide color samples and coordinate all selections with Architect and Owner.

6. Floor Covering Contract with labor and material for a complete installation of the following:

a. All floor finishes as indicated on plans and specifications.

b. Contractor to provide submittals and samples to Architect and Owner for selection.

7. Fire Sprinkler System Contract with labor and materials for a complete installation:

a. Fire sprinkler Contractor to provide design with layout and calculations for permitting.

b. Contractor to provide submittals and samples to Architect and Owner for

approval.

c. Contractor to provide all testing and certifications required.

8. Landscaping and Erosion Contract

a. Landscape Contractor to provide landscaping plan to include irrigation (priced separately - refer to Allowances sheet T0.1).

b. Contractor to provide plant schedule and submittal data to Owner for approval.

9. Fencing and Auto-Gate Contract

a. Fencing Contractor to provide all fencing with gates and controllers per plans and specifications.

b. Contractor to provide submittal data to Owner for approval.

(Note - Contracts to be submitted as a single bid permitted and bonded as a single contract.)

The project work consists of "A new joint facility for SBI-ABC," located at 119 Commerce Drive, Enterprise, Alabama 36330, as indicated in the project documents, include partial civil work to be coordinated with the County Engineering Department thereafter a full ground up completed facility. County will act as Construction-Project Manager (CPM). All work schedules will be coordinated by the designated representative.

The Plans, Specifications, and other Contract Documents may be examined at the following:

Coffee County Commission Rod Morgan
2 County Complex
New Brockton, AL 36351
(334) 894-5556

Bid Documents & Plans be obtained from G. Mark Pepe Architect, 307 W. Adams St., Dothan, AL 36303. Call 334-712-9721.

Bidding Documents for all interested bidders may be obtained upon payment of a deposit of \$200.00 per set.

The deposit will be refunded in full to each prime contractor upon return of the documents in reusable condition within 10 days after bid opening.

For non-prime contractors, the deposit shall be refunded less \$50.00 to cover the cost of printing, reproduction, handling, and distribution, upon return of the documents in reusable condition within 10 days after bid opening.

No partial sets will be sold.

The owner reserves the right to waive any informality or to reject any or all bids.

Prime bidders will be required to attend a **mandatory Pre-Bid Conference** on Thursday September 7th, 2023 at 2:00 p.m. Meeting will take place at County Commission Office at 1065 E. McKinnon St., New Brockton, AL, 36351. Only proposals from bidders with registered attendance at the Pre-Bid Conference will be accepted.

Each bidder must deposit with his bid, security in the amount, form, and subject to the conditions provided in the Information for Bidders.

No bidder may withdraw his bid within sixty (60) days after the actual date of the opening thereof.

Bids will be received only from Qualified Contractors duly licensed by the State Licensing Board for General Contractors and meeting the qualifications indicated in the Project Documents.

Dean Smith
CHAIRMAN
8-24,31&9-7-chg

ADVERTISEMENT FOR COMPLETION

In accordance with Chapter 1, Title 39, Code of Alabama, 1975, as amended, notice is hereby given that, **Beasley Construction Services, Inc.,** Contractor, has completed the Contract for Construction of **HVAC Replacement Zion Chapel High School Building 5, 22-227A.** At 29256 Highway 87, Jack, Alabama 36346 for the State of Alabama and the **Coffee County Board of Education,** Owner(s), and have made request for final settlement of said Contract. All persons having any claim for labor, materials, or otherwise in connection with this project should immediately notify **McKee & Associates, 631 South Hull St., Montgomery, AL 36104** in writing.

8-10,17,24,31-chg

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA ELBA DIVISION

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF SONYA LYNN COOK, DECEASED

CASE NO. PC-2023-046

Letters of Administration of said deceased having been granted to the undersigned on the 8th day of August, 2023, by the Hon. Jodee Thompson, Judge of the Probate Court of Coffee County, Elba Division, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within time allow by law or the same will be barred.

/s/ Thomas A. Blackstock, Jr.
Thomas A. Blackstock, Jr.
Attorney for Randy Cook,
Personal Representative
8/17,24&31pd.

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA ELBA DIVISION

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF JAMES CARROLL RHOADES, DECEASED

CASE NO. PC-2023-052

Letters of Administration of said deceased having been granted to the undersigned on the 17th day of August, 2023, by the Hon. Jodee R. Thompson, Judge of the Probate Court of Coffee County, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

/s/ Thomas A. Blackstock, Jr.
Thomas A. Blackstock, Jr.
Attorney for Jimmie W. Rhoades,
Personal Representative
8/24,31&9/7-pd.

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA ELBA DIVISION

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF KENNETH M. JOHNSON, DECEASED

CASE NO: PC-2023-051

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Letters Testamentary have been granted to Rhonda Bozeman Brunson as Executrix, respectively, of the Estate of Kenneth M. Johnson, Deceased, who departed this life on the 3rd day of April, 2023, by the Hon. Jodee Rowe Thompson, Judge of Probate.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all persons having claims against said Estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

SPORTS NEWS

Views From

The Pressbox

By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor

Our youngest grandson Cannon celebrated his first birthday last week and his parents began what they said would be an annual event as they took him to IHOP for breakfast, visited both sets of grandparents and then let him play at an indoor playground. I'm sure Cannon had a blast and had a good nap late in the afternoon, as did his parents. I told them the fun is just starting!

For what it is worth....

*** The Elba Tigers have been chomping at the bits ever since being upset in the second round of the playoffs last year to get back on the field, and they will get their chance Friday night when they welcome the New Brockton Gamecocks over for a season opening battle on the lush turf on Mack Wood Field. The Tigers have been in the news all over the state and are ranked #2 in the preseason 1A polls after last season's 11-1 record. However, games are played on the field and not in the papers, or the internet, and the Tigers will have to prove on the field just how good they are. I know the Elba roster is filled with talent and admit I am as excited as anyone about the upcoming season, but this year's team is a new edition of the Elba Tigers that has proven nothing yet, and will begin writing the latest chapter of their story Friday night.

*** All the teams in the area will kick off their seasons this week and it looks like an interesting week of action for the players, coaches, and fans.

Zion Chapel will open the season against former AISA power Pike Liberal Arts, and has to be excited about the opportunity to open the season at home with what appears to be a solid chance to open the season with a win. The Rebels have won a total of only five games over the last three years, but believe they can sneak up on some folks, and if they stay healthy they just may be right as they continue the rebuilding process.

Brantley will host county-rival Luverne in its opener and after making it deep in the playoffs for the past several years are determined to add a blue trophy to their already crowded trophy case. The Bulldogs are always physical up front and loaded with skill players, and this season will be no different as they cement their 1A dominance. Everyone dressed in green and while, from the players to the coaches, and even the fans, expect to win every time they take the field, and it tells.

Kinston will be down in numbers and don't appear to have quite as many standouts as in years past, but you know Coach Rudy Free will have his players as hard-nosed and physical as any in the region, and that the Bulldogs will always play until the final horn. This year's pack of 'Dawgs look like a blue collar group that will show up for work and give the coaches their best until it's time to go home, and should be an easy team to support.

New Brockton has to have a new attitude with a new head coach and the thought here is that the Gamecocks will play with more enthusiasm and dedication that teams in recent years. While they may still not have as many athletes as other 3A teams in the region, after last season's 0-10 slate there can be no doubt they will play with a chip on their shoulders and play to win, no matter the opponent. The guess here is that better days are coming, soon.

*** While on the subject of high school football, Elba fans will be happy this season that WWTZ is back on the airways and will broadcast all Elba Tiger football games live, as well as streaming the games on the internet. The radio station was off the air for almost a year after its antenna was destroyed by a storm, but owner Mike Holderfield, a former Elba Tiger from years back, never considered leaving the Elba area without a station of its own, and while the antenna was being reconstructed streamed all Elba games for fans across the area, the state and the nation. This year the games will be back live on the radio at 101.1 FM, as well as streaming at woofradio.com, and hopefully all Elba Tiger fans can follow the team throughout the season.

*** Before leaving high school football, there are a

number of big games on tap all across the state, and just a few that caught my eye were in 1A, #2 Elba against 3A New Brockton, #4 Brantley against 2A Luverne and #3 Pickens County against 2A #10 Aliceville; in 2A, #2 B.B. Comer against 3A Dadeville, #4 Highland Home against 3A Providence Christian, #6 Ariton against 4A Dale County and #7 Reeltown against 5A Tallassee; in 3A, #1 St. James against Montgomery Academy and #4 Mars Hill against 6A Cullman; in 4A, #1 Andalusia against Opp and #3 Montgomery Catholic against 6A McGill-Toolen; in 5A, #1 Ramsay against 6A Hueytown and #2 Charles Henderson against 3A #9 Pike County; in 6A, #1 Saraland against Lipscomb Academy, of Tennessee, and #4 Mt. Brook against 7A #6 Vestavia Hills; and, 7A, #1 Thompson against Opelika, #2 Auburn against #3 Hoover and #4 Central Phenix City against #5 Hewitt-Trussville.

*** A few streaks will be on the line when the high school season kicks off, including the state's longest winning streak at 15 by Fyffe, the longest losing streak by Columbia at 71, the longest region winning streak by American Christian at 35, the longest region losing streak by Barbour County at 58, and the longest home field winning streak by Montgomery Catholic at 24. By the way, the Elba Tigers have the fourth longest home field winning streak at 17!

*** I haven't had the opportunity to watch the Wiregrass Wolverines in action yet, but did get the chance to watch some action recently on the internet and was impressed with the talent the team has put together and how they play. The first thing that jumped out was that former Elba Tiger standout Richmon Singletary is just as quick and elusive as ever as a running back and no doubt should be playing in college instead of a semi-pro league. Singletary made moves that left defensive backs flat footed and at times seemed without a doubt to still be an amazing player, no matter the competition. The remainder of the team was filled with players that love football and just want to continue to play the sport they love, while they can. Oh yea, it was also easy to see how well coached the Wolverines were, and how the coaches understand just what the team is all about and what it takes to be successful.

*** Auburn named Payton Thorne, a transfer from Michigan State, as the Tigers starting quarterback last week, and while many fans were surprised that last year's starter Robbie Ashford didn't keep his job, I think new head coach Hugh Freeze was looking for a player to run his offense that would be steady and not make mistakes. I still think Ashford is a very talented player that can cause headaches for opposing defensive coordinators, and will get plenty of playing time, but for now the new kid on the clock will get the chance to display his talents and win the hearts of Auburn fans.

*** Ye Ole Polish Prognosticator sent me an email over the week with his opening week picks and made it clear that he is expecting a very exciting season for the fans of all five area teams. He did make excuses for a possible less than stellar week by listing his usual explanations about it being the opening week and how no one really knows

what to expect, but give me his picks and promised to stop by next week and talk football. Okay, here we go again....

ELBA VS. NEW BROCKTON

The Pea River felines will be on their home turf Friday night for their season opener against a flock of birds that like to hang out just off the bypass over in 'Brockton, and while this one may look like a blowout on paper, the guess here is that the birds will be hungry after a lean year on the gridiron and will be dive bombing the felines every chance they get. The felines may lose a little fur, but should be too quick to avoid any direct hits.

ELBA 34 NEW BROCKTON 12

ZION CHAPEL VS. PIKE LIBERAL ARTS

The Rebels from up at Fort Jack have been loading their muskets all week in preparation for an invasion by a band of troops from just across the county line, and believe they have an ambush set that could result in a big win. While it is true the visiting army was literally run off the field last week in a preseason contest, the guess here this week will be a battle won in the trenches and that the Rebs will fall just a little short.

PIKE LIBERAL ARTS 22 ZION CHAPEL 21

KINSTON VS. SAMSON

The Bulldogs from down near the county line will make the short trip over to Geneva County for a clash against a pride of Tigers that are still hungry after not getting to enjoy a victory dinner but once all season a year ago. The 'Dawgs don't exactly fill up the pound this season and may not strike fear into their opponents, but should still be a worthy opponent and my guess here is this one will be won in the fourth quarter.

SAMSON 26 KINSTON 22

BRANTLEY VS. LUVERNE

The Bulldogs from up across the creek will get to open at home this week and no doubt will have the pound all dressed up for its annual cross-county clash against its neighbors from just up the road. While they did lose some big dogs from last year's team, the motto has always been 'next man up' for the guys in green, and this year should be no different.

BRANTLEY 21 LUVERNE 20

OTHER PICKS:

Dothan 41 Carroll 14
Andalusia 38 Opp 10
Enterprise 35 Eufaula 7
Headland 28 Geneva 20
McKenzie 24 Wilcox Central 20
Abbeville 40 Beulah 12
Houston Academy 17 Wicksburg 13
Highland Home 28 Providence Christian 14
Ariton 35 Dale County 27
Goshen 55 Daleville 14
W.S. Neal 21 Georgiana 12
Pleasant Home 34 A.L. Johnson 8

Elba hosts 'Brockton in season opener

The Elba Tigers will kick off the 2023 high school football season Friday night when they host the New Brockton Gamecocks, at Tiger Stadium.

The Tigers own a 14-1 series edge over their cross-county rivals, have won ten straight meetings and last season posted a 40-8 victory.

Elba has posted a winning record in 16 straight seasons and over the last two years has compiled a 21-3 record under Coach Marc Sieving.

New Brockton will be under the guidance of new head coach Jason Barnett and will be looking to turn around its football fortunes after struggling to four straight losing season and an 0-10 campaign a year ago.

"New Brockton takes great pride in all its sports program and there is no doubt it has a plan to turn its football program back around," said Sieving. "It's new coach came from Citronelle and is a veteran high school coach that has brought new life into the program. The coaches over there know a win Friday night would put the rebuild on a fast track, and we know they have been hard at work all summer with that in mind. We expect a four quarter battle from a quality opponent and know we will have to play our best to win the game."

"New Brockton has a lot of players and a lot of experience," added Sieving, "and we know they will be looking forward to coming over here Friday night. We really don't know that to expect on either side of the ball, but in the spring they were in the wing-t on offense and were very big and physical on defense. We have spent some time

working against the wing-t, but have also to get ready for everything else and just have to make sure we are sound in all we do. On offense we will need to play well and play fast, and move the chains. We have a lot of folks back all over the field and are confident we can move the football. However, we know New Brockton will have a plan for us and will go into the game looking to stop the run. We just have to buckle the chinstraps a little tighter and get after it."

"We have been preaching to the players to take it one day and one week at a time all summer," said Sieving, "and this is the first step. Practice has been good, the players and coaches are all excited to start the season and we are ready to go. The heat is a concern going into the game, but we have a hydration program that has been in place for a couple of years and we have certainly been making sure all the players are properly hydrated every day. You can't wait until the night of the game and drink a lot of water. It is a daily routine and we know how important it is."

When asked about summer workouts, Coach Sieving stated, "It was hot, and still is, but the players were excited all summer about the upcoming season and really worked hard to get better each and every day. On offense we are excited about the number of players that are returning. Quarterback Brayden Johnson will be a three-year starter, we return almost everyone in the offensive line, have three proven backs that have been in battles and of course have Alvin Henderson back, who without a doubt is one



ELBA TIGER COACH MARC SIEVING

of the best players in the nation! Over on defense we return two starters on defense, have a rotation at nose guard and have three really good linebackers returning in Jacob Watkins, Cayden Adkins and Brayden Johnson, not to mention Kendrick Jordan, a newcomer that has the potential to be a big time player at multiple spots on both sides of the ball. The Gray brothers also return in the secondary, as does Brady Johnson. So, we do expect the defense to be battle tested and ready to go to war from the first play of the game."

"With so much experience we were able to work during the preseason more on technique and fundamentals than coverages and how to make reads," added Sieving. "We

expect to have a solid pass rush and be strong against the run at the same time. We know we will have to make adjustments based on who we play and what they do, but we are confident that with our experience we can make those adjustments quickly and remain sound in all we do. In football you have to stop the run and also be able to run, and we feel confident in both areas."

"We play is a tough region and have a pair of 3A opponents on the schedule," said the fourth year Tiger coach, "and we know nothing will come easy. We are going to approach the season one game and one challenge at a time, and will work hard every day at practice to be better as a team every time we take the field."

Terry Spicer

Heating and Cooling

Plumbing and Electric

Phone: (334) 494-3091

Elba, AL

AL# 17103



Become an

ADULT FOSTER CARE

Provider

ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF

HUMAN RESOURCES

1-800-458-7214

dhr.alabama.gov/AFC

"Love Never Ages"

ELBA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Business of the Month:

Boswell Insurance

Follow the Chamber ...

Elba, Alabama Chamber of Commerce

f

2023 Elba JV Football Schedule		
Date	Opponent	Location & Time
Aug. 21	Highland Home	14-14 Tie
Aug. 28	Straughn	Away 6:00
Sept. 5	Brantley	Home 6:00
Sept. 11	Goshen	Away 6:00
Sept. 18	Luverne	Home 6:00
Sept. 25	Zion Chapel	Home 6:00
Oct. 2	Ariton	Home 6:00

SPORTS NEWS

All area teams excited about Friday night season openers

The 2023 high school football season will kick off this week for teams all across the state and for area teams the opening week of action will include the renewal of two long time rivalries and a first-ever meeting between two teams that should grow into a natural rivalry.

Following is a preview of this week's season openers:

Pike Lib at Zion Chapel

Two schools separated by less than twenty miles will tangle Friday night at Green Memorial Stadium, in Jack, when the Zion Chapel Rebels host the Pike Liberal Arts Patriots, in the first meeting ever between the two teams on the gridiron.

Zion Chapel has struggled to three straight losing seasons and posted a 5-25 record during the three-year span, while Pike Lib, coached by veteran William Moguel, struggled to a 3-6 record last season in its first year in the

AHSAA after rolling up a 22-3 record the previous three years in AISA.

Luverne at Brantley

The Brantley Bulldogs will kick off the season in the friendly confines of David Lowery Stadium on Friday night when they host the Luverne Tigers, in the 90th meeting between the two county rivals.

Brantley has won the last two meetings, including a 31-7 victory a year ago, and has been a power in the 1A ranks over the past four seasons in rolling to a 46-7 record. Luverne has posted eight straight winning seasons, will be coming off a 6-5 slate, and will be under the direction of former Elba head coach Ed Rigby.

Kinston at Samson

Two rivals looking to bounce back after disappointing seasons a year ago will meet at Samson when the Kinston Bulldogs battle the Samson

Tigers for the 42nd time on the gridiron.

Kinston has won the last two meetings, including a 34-12 victory a year ago, and have won a total of 12 games over the past two seasons after winning only five games the previous two years. Samson struggled to a 1-9 record last season after moving up to the 2A ranks, after winning a total of 13 games the previous two years.

Other area games this week include:

(Thursday)
Carroll at Dothan
Andalusia at Opp
(Friday)
Eufaula at Enterprise
Geneva at Headland
Wilcox Central at McKenzie
Beulah at Abbeville
Houston Academy at Wicksburg
Providence Christian at Highland Home
Ariton at Dale County
Goshen at Daleville
Georgiana at W.S. Neal
Pleasant Home at A.L.



Zion Chapel Rebels looking to take next step in rebuilding program

While a 3-7 record may not seem like a reason to get excited in the world of high school football in the state of Alabama, it was without a doubt the beginning of a rebuilding process last season for the Zion Chapel Rebels and first year head coach Cody Keene after the Rebels struggled to a 2-18 record the previous two years.

"We are stronger than we were last season even though we are younger as a team," said Keene, in a recent published interview in The Dothan Eagle, "and that is a positive. We built our new identity in the weight room. We have to find an edge here at Zion Chapel and have made great strides in the areas we tried to focus on. It is the mentality of the program that must change, and here the weight room has been

the biggest change."

One reason for a new excitement in the Rebels camp has been the return of quarterback Mason Stuart, who was injured in last year's season opener.

"Mason played two quarters last season before he broke his ankle and at that point in the season we had played in a jamboree and two quarters against Goshen," added Keene. "I think he had already rushed for five touchdowns, rushed for 300 or 400 yards, and passed for 150-200 yards. We didn't change the offense when he went down, and now that he is back he has become a leader and is one of our strongest players."

Other weapons on the offense include junior wide-receiver JoJo LeGear, senior running back Micah Fuller and 310-pound tackle Malachi McNeil.

"I expect JoJo to be able to make some plays for us on the edge," said Coach Keene, "and Micah is one of our fastest players and one of our strongest players. Malachi is one of our best leaders and has blossomed into a recruitable kid."

Zion Chapel will return six starters on the defensive side, led by sophomore linebacker Brayden Benbow and junior lineman Jackson Dowdy.

"At one point Brayden was the leading tackler in 2A and I think he is going to be a good football player for us, while Jackson wasn't a starter at the beginning of the season and ended up as a starter."

Other players expected to lead the way on defense are linebacker John Foster Hamm, as well as JoJo LeGear, Micah Fuller and Jackson Adcock.



Kinston Bulldogs will be small in numbers but big in heart and pride

No one should feel sorry for Coach Rudy Free and the Kinston Bulldogs just because the roster for the upcoming season only includes 18 players in grades ten through twelve, because they have already accepted the challenge and are ready to hit the field and battle for a spot in the 1A playoffs after a one-year absence.

"Yea, we have a lot of holes to fill," admitted Coach Free in a recent published interview in The Dothan Eagle. "We have graduated a total of 18 players the last two years, including ten last season, and at a place like Kinston that's a lot of folks. We dressed out 27 or 28 the past couple of seasons, including five or six ninth graders. So, we aren't really that far off, even though it's a little hard to practice 11 on 11 with only 18 bodies."

"The attitude of the team is good and they are working hard," added Free. "The last few weeks may have been the best we have had in the weight room since we have been here. It's coming along and we will face the challenge head

on."

The Bulldogs will return four starters on an offense that helped lead the way to a 4-6 record last season, with Brodie Walker, a senior running back/fullback among the key returnees.

"Brodie is a hard working kid that sometimes looks like a bull in a china shop," said Free. "He plays with a lot of emotion, weighs in at 215, and is a good hard worker all the time. Last year he played linebacker and before that was in the defensive line. Now he has grasped the concept of what is expected and he is going to be a leader."

Junior Brant McCollough will move from receiver to quarterback and will turn the key for the Bulldog offense. While CJ Lunsford will be back at receiver and juniors Drew Branch and Marcus Free will return in the line.

"Brant may be a little raw at quarterback," said Free, "by the is a really good athlete and may be the fastest player in the team. CJ has improved a lot since his sophomore season and has made big strides, while Drew and Marcus

have both played a good bit and have experience."

Colby Tew, a junior, will fill into the role at running back and is a player Coach Free expects big things from this season, while over on defense the trio of Brodie Walker, Marcus Free and Whit Floyd all return to anchor a hard-hitting unit.

"Those three players have learned to play linebacker and have done a really good job," added Free. Those will be three guys we are really counting on for the defense."

Marcus Free will return as the Bulldogs placekicker and Brant McCollough will handle the punting chores.

"No one we play will feel sorry for us because we only have 18 varsity players," stated Free. "So, we can't feel sorry for ourselves and just have to go out there and play hard, play smart and play Kinston Bulldog football."

VOLLEYBALL SCHEDULES

Thursday, Aug. 24
Elba at Zion Chapel
Kinston at Goshen 4 pm
Geneva at New Brockton

Monday, Aug. 28
Zion Chapel at Kinston 4 pm
New Brockton/Geneva Co/ at Geneva
Brantley at Goshen

Tuesday, Aug. 29
Zion Chapel at Elba
Houston Co. at Kinston 3:30 pm
Ariton at New Brockton
Opp at Brantley

Thursday, Aug. 31
Elba at Luverne
Opp at Kinston 4 pm
G.W. Long at New Brockton
Zion Chapel at Red Level
Brantley at Pike Lib

New Brockton Gamecocks anxious to turn page after winless season

The New Brockton Gamecocks will enter the high school football season with a new head coach, a new determination to win and a new spirit after struggling to an 0-10 record last season.

"We have a long way to go," admitted new head coach Jason Barnett, in a recent published interview with The Dothan Eagle, "and the biggest thing is getting them to learn to compete again and have a little confidence. You could realize it back in April that the kids were hungry, and now it is a matter of them buying into what we are doing. They have done that up to this point and they want to do it."

Catching the eye of the former head coach at Citronelle on offense has been the trio of senior running back Yassiah Rousseau, sophomore wide-receiver Anthony Silar and junior wingback Baylon Foster, while freshman wingback Kaiden Sims and sophomore Dawson Peacock have also drawn praise from the staff.

"Dawson hasn't played much," added Barnett, "but he is taking snaps with the first team and hopefully he can handle it. The offensive line has a lot of seniors, but they were behind a lot of seniors last season and don't have a whole lot of experience. They will have to come together in a hurry."

The linemen expected to help carry the load in the Gamecocks new wing-t attack include senior Tanner West, freshman Michael Brown, senior Aaron Watson, sophomore Robert Boutwell and senior Ryan Gay.

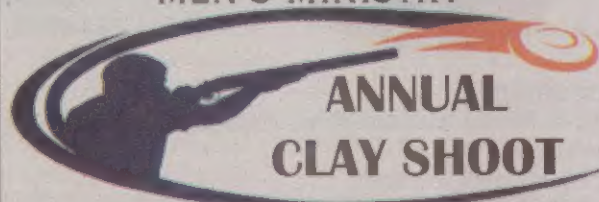
Over on defense, sophomore Elijah Boykin

will be looked upon to anchor the line, while senior Hunter Bedsole, senior Jarrison Kyles and sophomore Cameron Johnson will rotate in the middle. Freshman Braydyn Crumpler and Josiah Peterson are expected to get the early calls at defensive end, while at the linebacker spots the positions will be led by sophomore Bryant Crumpler, senior

Kyle Gavette, junior Jared Petite and senior Blake Peterson, and in the secondary sophomore Micah Whitt-Murphy and senior Canon Richmond should help fill the bill at the corners, along with Foster and Silar.

"We are thin in older skill guys in the secondary," said Barnett, "and we will have to find some depth back there."

ZION CHAPEL BAPTIST CHURCH MEN'S MINISTRY



Saturday, August 26, 2023

9:00 a.m.

27057 Highway 87

Lunch will be provided!

Prizes for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Place!

Bring your own shells!

KEEP KIDS WELL AND IN CLASS

Stay current on childhood vaccinations.
alabamaunites.com

ALABAMA UNITES AGAINST COVID



39th annual Amelia Rhoades volleyball tournament set for Saturday in Kinston

The 39th Annual Amelia Rhoades Set-Off Volleyball Tournament will be held Saturday, Aug. 26, at Kinston School beginning at 8:30 a.m.

Concessions will be available. Gate entry fee is \$6 per person.

Winner and the runner-up from each pool will play following pool play. The winners will play for the championship.

Pool A - Court 1
Kinston
Zion Chapel
Goshen
New Brockton

Pool B - Court 2
Brantley
Opp

Geneva
Straughn

Match # --- Pool 1 - Court
1. Kinston vs New Brockton
2. Zion Chapel vs Goshen
3. Kinston vs Goshen
4. New Brockton vs Zion Chapel
5. Kinston vs Zion Chapel
6. Goshen vs New Brockton

Match # --- Pool 2 - Court
1. Brantley vs Opp
2. Geneva vs Straughn
3. Brantley vs Straughn
4. Brantley vs Geneva
5. Opp vs Straughn
6. Geneva vs Opp

Winner and Runner-Up plaques will be given after championship match.

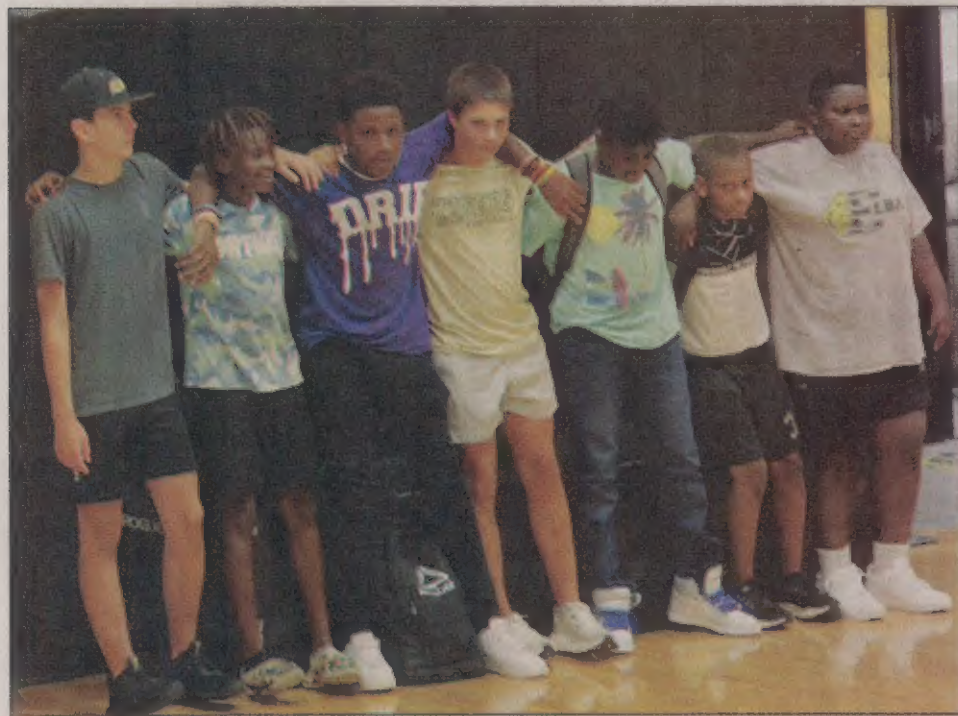
Elba High School hosts annual “Meet the Tigers” event



Coach Melissa Mularz introduced the Lady Tigers volleyball team during Meet the Tigers.



Cheerleader Alayvia Stinson jumps and cheers for the Tigers during a dance routine.



This group of Elba students joined together for the singing of the Alma Mater.



Senior colorguard member Brooke Tinsley during Meet the Tigers.



Kaleb Mitchell (55) reacts as Jamal Siler (64) receives a huge ovation during senior player introductions at Meet the Tigers. A large crowd of Tiger supporters were in attendance for this year's event!

The Grantham Agency

603 N. Claxton Ave., Elba, AL

Serving ALL Your Insurance Needs

• Home	• Business
• Auto	• Life
• Mobile Home	• RV
• Motorcycle	• Boat

Our Office and Drive-Thru are Open to Serve Our Customers!!

Call or Come See Us for a Quote!!


(334) 897-2981



Senior cheerleaders Adalyn O'Neal and Destinee Tidwell help lead cheers during last Thursday evening's Meet the Tigers annual event held at Elba High School.



Several of the Elba Tigers football players also play instruments in the Marching Tiger Band, including Austin Stricklin (79) and Keaton Poole (60) on tubas, and Jacob Watkins (6) and Jamal Siler (64) on trumpets.



NEWS RELEASE

For Additional Information Contact:
Emily A. VanScyoc, Community & Economic Development Director
Southeast Alabama Regional Planning & Development Commission
P.O. Box 1406
Dothan, AL 36302
(334) 794-4093 * Fax (334) 794-3288

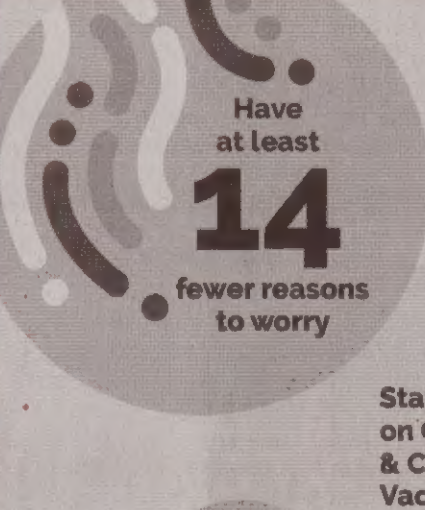
August, 2023
The Southeast Alabama Rural Planning Organization (RPO) will hold the following meetings:

1. Local Public Forums
 - A. Barbour County – September 6, 2023, 2:00 p.m. – Barbour County Courthouse (Clayton), Commission Chamber
 - B. Coffee County – August 29, 2023, 2:00 p.m. – Coffee County Community Room (New Brockton)
 - C. Covington County – August 31, 2023, 2:00 p.m. – Covington County Administration Building (Andalusia), Small Conference Room
 - D. Dale County – August 29, 2023, 4:00 p.m. – Dale County Government Building (Ozark), Small Conference Room
 - E. Geneva County – August 31, 2023, 4:00 p.m. – Geneva County Courthouse (Geneva), Commission Chamber
 - F. Henry County – September 5, 2023, 4:00 p.m. – Henry County Annex Building (Abbeville)
 - G. Houston County – September 5, 2023, 2:00 p.m. – Houston County Administration Building (Dothan), 6th Floor Conference Room
2. Technical Coordinating Committee (TCC), September 12, 2023, 2:00 p.m. – Daleville City Hall, Board Room
3. Policy Committee, September 12, 2023, 3:00 p.m. – Daleville City Hall, Board Room

The scope of the meetings is to discuss transportation safety issues, regional transportation project updates, and coordinated public transportation issues, including the regional coordinated transportation public transit plan, which identifies transportation needs of individuals with disabilities, older adults, and people with low incomes, provides strategies for meeting these local needs, and prioritizes transportation services for funding and implementation.


The RPO was established to develop a transportation planning process for the rural areas of southeastern Alabama and provides a formal link between the Alabama Department of Transportation (ALDOT) and the local governments. The counties served by the RPO include Barbour, Coffee, Covington, and areas of Dale, Geneva, Henry, and Houston not served by the Southeast Wiregrass Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO). The RPO provides government officials and citizens in these counties an opportunity to receive information and advise the ALDOT on road, bridge, and other transportation projects.

All of the meetings are open to the public. Anyone requiring special assistance should contact the SEARP&DC at least 48 hours prior to the meeting at (334) 794-4093.




Have at least **14** fewer reasons to worry

Stay current on COVID, Flu & Childhood Vaccinations



Visit alabamaunites.com to locate a vaccine

Good Luck, Tigers!



RUN THROUGH THE JUNGLE

A TRIBUTE TO VETERANS FEATURING SONGS OF THE VIETNAM ERA

The EHS Class of 1973 will be hosting the band, The Wingnuts, from Pell City, Alabama, for their 50th class reunion on Saturday, October 28, 2023, from 3:00-5:00pm in the Elba High School Auditorium. Their theme will be "Run through the Jungle" featuring music from the 60's and 70's and dedicated to the Vietnam Era. Tickets will be \$25. Reunion Groups will be able to purchase theirs in August by contacting Debra Coon Rivera at Debmimi3@aol.com and reserve sections for their class. The public tickets will be sold in September with same email. Please feel free to share!



OCTOBER 28, 2023 3PM
ELBA HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM

TICKETS \$25
EMAIL: Debmimi3@aol.com

